

REMARKS

As indicated in the Declaration And Power of Attorney For Continuation-In-Part Application (copy attached as Exhibit A hereto) filed on July 5, 2001 with this application, this application is a continuation-in-part of application No. 09/498,872 filed February 7, 2000 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,444,102).

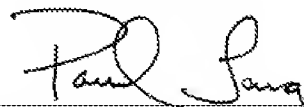
By this Amendment, the specification has been amended to include a cross reference to the parent application (No. 09/498,872).

Applicant submits that such amendment does not introduce new matter and does not substantially change the application, but merely comports the application with formal requirements. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests entry of said amendment.

If a petition for withdraw from issue is required for the aforementioned amendment, this paper should be considered to be such a petition. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any required fees, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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